## SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE



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## **Press Release**

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## AMITYVILLE VILLAGE TO RECEIVE IDA FUNDING FOR DOWNTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amityville, NY – Suffolk County Legislature Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory is proud to announce the approval of Village of Amityville's request for Suffolk County Industrial Development Agency funding to develop a master plan for facilitating economic growth and development, enabling the Village of Amityville to be a walkable, transit-friendly development hub for future generations.

Presiding Officer Gregory held an initial meeting with the Revitalization Committee and IDA representatives which led to the IDA drawing upon its recent partnership with the Regional Planning Association to help the Amityville Downtown Revitalization Committee prepare a Master Plan to further the committee's long term goals for the Village. The Regional Planning Association partners with towns and villages in the tri-state area to assist with community design, economic development, energy and environmental sustainability through research, planning and advocacy. The IDA has allocated \$300,000 for collaborative projects in towns and villages throughout Suffolk County, one of which is a master plan for the Village of Amityville.

"Investment in downtown areas across Suffolk County fosters economic growth which stabilizes our economy and provides opportunity for young people to raise their families here," said Presiding Officer Gregory. "I am pleased to see the Village of Amityville Downtown Revitalization Committee's commitment to instituting long-term improvements that will have a positive impact on Suffolk County as well as Amityville Village."

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